

4-H Beef Club Raffle and Dance, Feb. 12

Home and School Variety Concert, Monday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.

United Church Reports Progress Made During Last Year

The Annual Congregational meeting of the Irma United Church was held on the evening of January 31. It would have been nice to have had a larger attendance but those who did come out thoroughly enjoyed the meeting and were pleased to note the progress made during the past year.

The following reports were presented.

The treasurer's report by Mr. Reeds; Memorial report, Mr. Inglis; Junior W.A., Mrs. Allen Larson; WMS, Mrs. K. Coffin; Sunday School, Mrs. E. Prosser; Passchendale and Albert, Mr. Inglis; CGIT, Della Symington; Trail Rangers, Mr. Inglis; Mission Band, Mrs. K. Coffin; Minister's Report, Mr. Inglis.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Rev. H. W. and Mrs. Inglis for their work with the Trail Rangers and CGIT groups. Work such as they have been doing with these young folk is most worthwhile and entails real sacrifice.

Votes of thanks were also given to Mr. A. C. Charter for his splendid work as church secretary and to Mrs. Simmermon and the other choir members for the fine contribution the choir has made during the past year. Mrs. Whidden is our new pianist and has been ably carrying on the work since early fall when our former faithful pianist, Miss Shirley Mae Brown went to Edmonton. Appreciation for the work of these two young ladies was also expressed.

A good part of the meeting was taken up in discussing much needed repairs for the manse and a new floor for the church. It was decided to start work on these projects at once.

Among the many interesting things brought out in the various reports it is worthy of note that due to the brilliant efforts of the W.A. groups, the church secretary, the stewards and various staunch lay supporters the church has been able to meet all its financial obligations for the past year and has a small surplus on hand as well.

But most vital of all, Mr. Inglis is again preparing a group of young people who will join the church at Easter time. This is the real work of our church that our people, old and young, know and confess the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in church fellowship together.

It was also brought out at this meeting that it is the work of all church members to try to interest and encourage more of the young married folk of our district in the Christian fellowship of the church.

Following the meeting everyone went to the basement of the church and enjoyed a social hour and a delicious lunch.

Stewards for 1954 are Messrs. W. N. Erickson, I. S. Reeds, H. Riley, C. L. Currie, J. Craig, M. Enger, V. Hutchinson, R. Simmermon, F. M. Hill, S. Brown, H. Oldham, C. Young, A. C. Charter, Seth Oldham, Mrs. Geo. Fischer, Mr. F. Jack, Mrs. H. Whidden, Mrs. M. Eager, Church secretary, Mr. F. Jack, Treasurer, Mr. A. C. Charter.

Card of Thanks

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to all my friends for visits, cards and letters received while I was in hospital.

—Mrs. Carl Larson.

Wainwright S.D. Regular Session

Minutes of regular meeting of Wainwright School Division No. 32 held on Friday, February 6, 1954.

All members present.

Allen—that the minutes of the last meeting be adopted as read. Cd.

Business arising out of the minutes and correspondence.

Allen—that the matter of assistance in the C. Smith at the Education Point S.D. be tabled until the next meeting. Cd.

Zajac—that the Wainwright Projector Machine be forwarded to Regina for a complete repair job and overhaul at a cost of \$50.00. Cd.

Hill—that we write to the Principal of the Ribstone S.D. that support by the Divisional Board in the purchase of a movie projector is for educational purposes only and that such assistance must be received by the Board before purchase can be made, further that it would be desirable if Mr. Ronjom could find it convenient to wait on the Board at its next regular meeting on Friday, March 5, Cd.

McLeod—that we approve the request of the Worthington Branch of the Canadian Legion for the use of the Wainwright school shop at a charge of \$10.00 for the two weeks' session with Mr. E. C. LaFleur in attendance. Cd.

Allen—that the matter of a telephone for the Passchendale School be tabled until next meeting. Cd.

Hill—that a spirit duplicator be purchased for the Irma school from the Western Canada Institute at a cost of \$50.00. Cd.

Zajac—that we co-operate with the Hope Valley Sport Club toward the cost of installation of electricity in the school and that the sum of \$70.00 be allowed as the Board's share in the project. Cd.

Transfer of the land from the Empire District to that of Pelican be tabled until the next meeting of the Board.

McLeod—that subscriptions for the ASTA magazine be forwarded to the secretaries of local Boards and to presidents of Home and School Associations in the Division and the principals of all larger centres. Cd.

Allen—that 5M feet of assorted lumber be ordered thru the Bonnyville S.D., and that Mr. J. E. Reid make a list of requirements needed, both sheathing and dimensional material. Cd.

Messrs. Bartlett, LaFrance, and McTurk interviewed the Board with regard to Grange-dale school bus route.

Hissett—that until such times as we can make arrangements under the Regulations of the School Act that the following families be cut off from direct service with the bus known as the Grangedale School Bus—Manafelds, Birtles, LaFrance and McTurk. Cd.

Mr. Manafeld requested the Board to continue direct service to the above mentioned families. No change from the above motion was made.

Hill—that we approve the installation of a stoker in the Passchendale school. Cd.

Folkens—that application be made to the Farm Electric Service in Calgary for the installation of Electric Power in the Albert School. Cd.

Hissett—that account be paid

Passchendale Wins Hockey Tourney

The weather warmed up just in time to see a highly successful Farmer's Hockey Tournament held Friday, January 29 in the Wainwright arena.

There were four teams competing for the Walker Trophy, Ribstone, the 1953 Champions, Passchendale, the 1952 champs, Greenshield and Gerald.

Passchendale eked out a 7 to 6 win over the Gerald squad while Greenshields won handily over Ribstone 3-1 in the first round.

Over 200 fans watched a see-saw battle in the finals. Passchendale scored when the game was only 22 seconds old but Greenshields overtook them and made it 2-1 before the end of the period. Each team scored in the second making it 2-2 for Greenshields. The hand writing was on the wall as Passchendale had a margin of the loss for most of the third. Regulation time ended with a tie score 4-4. The 10 minutes overtime showed Passchendale with more power and experience and the Greenshields boys showed signs of tiring. Passchendale slapped home two unanswered goals, ending the game and the tournament.

Eddie Walker presented the Walker Trophy, emblematic of farm hockey supremacy in this corner of Alberta to B. King, captain of Passchendale. John Taylor, the Hockey Commissioner, President was on hand to congratulate the champions.

Legion Notes

LEGION BINGO, FEB. 13

Don't forget the Legion's Bingo being held in Kiefer's hall Saturday evening. Tickets are available from any Legion member. Get yours now!

LEGION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

The Irma Branch No. 112 Canadian Legion held their annual meeting and election of officers in the Legion Hall on Tuesday evening.

Although a smaller number turned out for the meeting than had been hoped for, a new slate of officers was elected and the past year's activities reviewed.

The new officers for 1954 are as follows:

President, Keith Coffin.
1st Vice President, Fred Jack.
Secretary—Herb Larson.
Treasurer, Ralph Congdon.
Sgt. at Arms, Steve Pickett.

In the amount of \$5,058.74 for the month of January and that the same be included in the minutes of this meeting. Cd.

Allen—that a budget Committee as a whole meet at the office on Tuesday, Feb. 9 to discuss and prepare a budget for the year 1954, same to be presented for approval at the Mar. meeting. Cd.

Mr. Campbell-Hope met the Board and discussed faulty construction at the school. He proposed to meet with the Hubtop Construction Co., and make an effort to get the building finished as soon as possible. A further effort was to be made to have Mr. W. Everts visit Wainwright as soon as possible.

McLeod—adjourn. Cd.

Next meeting March 5, 1954 at 9 a.m.

At the time of the 1951 census Canadian farmers owned more than half a million trucks and automobiles.

Square Dance Club Formed in Irma

A good attendance greeted the Square Dancers from Hughenden, Hardisty, Loughheed and when they "strutted their stuff" for our benefit. We are well on the way with our own club, having signed up about 70 people. However, we will still be taking names of those wanting to join.

The lessons are scheduled to be held on March 9, 10, 17, 20, 27 and the final lesson date to be decided later. Larry Meier is President of the new club, and Betty Kirkman is Secretary-Treasurer.

Standings E.A.H.L. February 6, 1954

Teams	W	L	T	Pts.
Wainwright	7	3	14	
Viking	7	5	14	
Vegreville	3	6	1	7
Vermilion	2	5	1	5

W—Won; L—Lost; T—Tied; Pts.—Points.

SCORING STATISTICS

Players	G	A	P	Pen
Masson, Vik	13	8	21	18
St. Martin, Vrm.	11	7	18	2
Gullner, Wain.	8	10	18	12
Strate, Wain.	7	11	18	19
Dunnigan, J. Vik	10	5	15	40
Touche, Wain.	9	6	15	6
Patsula, Vrm.	3	12	15	22
Linnell, Wain.	9	5	14	8
Dunnigan, T. Vik	7	7	14	14
Slywka, Vik	6	5	11	2
Slagowski, Vik	4	7	11	24
Wormsley, Vik	7	11	24	
Bochek, Wain.	6	4	10	4
Lewis, Vik	6	4	10	4
Blensch, R. Wain.	5	5	10	0

G—Goals; A—Assists; P—Points; Pen—Penalties (Min.).

GOALKEEPERS' RECORDS

Goalies	G	GA	Av.
McManus, Wain.	3	9	3.00
Bilton, Wain.	2	7	3.50
Battle, Vik	25	35	3.62
Lemick, Veg.	9½	46	4.93
Higgins, Wain.	5	25	5.00
Rasmussen, Vik	1½	8	6.00
LaPorte, Vrm.	8	50	6.25
Proctor, Vik	1	10	10.00
Moar, Veg.	¾	10	15.00

G—Games; GA—Goal Against; Av.—Averages.

Church Services

ST. MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

Service of Evensong will be held in St. Mary's Church on Sunday, February 14 at 2:30 p.m.

AVONGLEN GOSPEL MISSION

Regular Sunday services are held at Avonglen Gospel Mission every Sunday.

Sunday School 10:45.
Worship Service 2:00 p.m.
We preach the Book, the Blood and the Blessed Hope.
T. M. Conway, Pastor.

Glen-Coa Gleanings

Dr. and Mrs. Vernon Curtis (nee Mary Ruth Erickson) of Washington, D.C., have a third little daughter, Nancy Joanne, born January 22.

Mrs. Hollingen was a patient last week in Hardisty hospital. We trust she will continue to improve in health.

Worren Fuder did not get home from hospital before this week. He has really had a bad bout of it with his injured ankle. We hope he will soon be back at school again, well as ever.

Sharon Ladies Aid will meet at the H. Fuder home on Feb. 18.

YPU Hold First Social Evening

The Irma Young People's Union held the first social gathering of the year Monday evening, in the school auditorium. With a good number of the community "teen-agers" in attendance, the party got underway with several games and relays. The remainder of the evening was spent dancing to records and ended with a beautiful lunch.

There was a small misprint in the last issue of the Times. Our next meeting will be on Feb. 21, not the 17th.

Northern Nuggets

The sympathy of the district goes out to the family of Mrs. Haug, Sr., who passed away in Wainwright hospital Sunday, February 7. Also sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Meyer on the loss of their baby daughter who was born and passed away in Mannville hospital on February 5.

Mr. and Mrs. George Spring have been visiting relatives in Irma and the district north while down to visit Mrs. Spring's mother Mrs. Capt. Larson who is ill in Wainwright hospital.

The Triangle Association has been asked by the Irma Home and School Association to sponsor a queen candidate for the Carnival on March 6. Miss Mary Lou Coulter is our north-country candidate. There will be voting boxes around town and Triangle members will canvass the district for votes as well.

Mrs. E. B. Allen left on Friday to spend a few months at the Coast.

Mrs. Louis Larson was a visitor to Edmonton this week to see her mother Mrs. Clelland.

Buffalo Coules W.L. will meet on Thursday, February 18 at the home of Mrs. C. Ramsay.

Southern Sayings

Visitors at the J. Jackson home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jackson and boys of Edmonton, Mr. Arthur Jackson of Sedgewick and Mr. Chester Bartholow of Sundry, Alta. Mrs. Bartholow and girls left with her husband to Sundry where they will make their home.

Mr. Mart Allred of Edmonton visited his wife Mrs. M. Allred at Mr. and Mrs. A. Long's last week-end.

Mr. Alec Cairns was among the curriers that were in Edmonton last week.

The last Strawberry Plains W.L. was held at the home of Mrs. M. Creney with 10 old members present and 2 visitors. Three old members withdrew as they will be moving away. Mrs. A. Cairns joined as a new member. They now have eight members all taking their same offices except secretary-treasurer which is Mrs. E. Jackson. Goods received as donations were distributed among members and a social evening was planned for later. Date will be announced.

Card of Thanks

To all of those who so generously and kindly remembered me with cards, letters and other tokens of cheer and goodwill while I was in hospital, I take this method of thanking you and to assure you that every item was most sincerely appreciated.

—H. L. Black.

Kiefer's SHOWS

at IRMA
Friday, February 12
"THE LAWLESS BREED"
Julia Adams, Rock Hudson
Family—Technicolor

Friday, February 19—Family
"THE MAN IN THE WHITE SUIT"
Alec Guinness

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IRMA TIMES

MRS. H. RILEY, Local Editor

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About \$6,000,000 a week is being spent in Western Canada in gas and oil development.

Since 1948 the cost of family allowances payments has risen from \$17 million a month to \$29 million.

John Deere Free Show, Friday, Feb. 19, 2 p.m.

AUDITOR'S REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENT

of the

Viking Municipal Hospital District No. 10

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

OPERATING REVENUE			EXPENDITURES	
In-Patients	Out-Patients	Total	Amount	Sub-Total
Day Rate Service—				
Private and Semi-Private Rooms	\$ 49,059.90	\$ 49,059.90		
Special Services—				
Operating and Delivery Rooms	\$ 1,945.00	\$ 616.00		
Radiology	6,048.20	6,098.26		
Medicine	8,521.78	272.00		
Dialysis	527.00	5.00		
Dressings	167.08	295.15		
Laboratory	767.50	45.00		
Basal Metabolism	310.00	240.00		
Oxygen	888.00			
Others	212.00	10,366.83	\$ 6,546.40	\$ 25,912.93
	\$ 45,454.43		\$ 6,546.40	\$ 74,972.53
Deductions—				
Written Rebates	\$ 43,264.18			
Off. Bad Debts	57.90			
Plus Reserve for doubtful accts. not yet written off	328.79	43,650.77		
Less reserve added to deduct a year ago	386.59			
Less restored accts. prev. written off	386.59			
Net Earnings	\$ 43,264.18	\$ 4,666.00		
	\$ 25,162.25		\$ 1,880.40	\$ 47,930.16
Special Grants to Aid in Covering Operating Deficits—				
From Prov. Gov't	\$ 23,903.85			
From Municipalities	\$ 51,552.34			
Subsidy Fees	1,100.00			
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 83,219.19	\$ 1,880.40	\$ 83,219.19	
Other Revenue (For Current Expenditures)—				
From Investments	\$ 120.00			
From Donations and Bequests	2,840.04			
	\$ 2,960.04			
Total Revenue		\$113,221.88		
			EXPENDITURES	
			Amount	Sub-Total
Salaries and Wages—				
Gross Value, including contributed services			\$ 42,167.09	
Less Board and Lodging			6,468.18	35,698.91
Supplies—				
Housekeeping			\$ 1,102.71	
Laundry			836.81	
Medical and Surgical			681.90	
X-Ray			12,557.25	
Dietary			2,172.46	
Printing and Stationery, etc.			11,135.76	
Fuel and Heating			687.91	
			1,545.30	66,378.01
Purchased Services—				
Light, Power and Gas			\$ 1,474.30	
Telephone and Telegraph			404.70	
Freight and Express			752.08	
Auditing			136.97	
Legal and Collection Fees			123.52	
Postage			175.00	3,078.47
Insurance—				
Fire, Buildings			\$ 751.16	
Fire, Equipment			23.95	
Liability			422.90	
Fidelity			10.74	1,288.76
Depreciation—				
Building and Ground Improvements			\$ 2,868.58	
Equipment			668.20	4,030.08
Repairs and Replacements—				
Building and Ground Improvements			\$ 305.45	
Equipment			1,744.09	2,079.54
Interest and Exchange—				
Interest on Bonds, Debentures and Mortgages			\$ 5,454.18	
On Bank Overdraft			62.57	5,506.76
Miscellaneous—				
Taxes			\$ 25.00	
Association Dues			220.43	
Miscellaneous			252.20	
Refused Cases			4,655.30	
Board Members' Fees			1,018.36	6,171.98
Total Expenditure and Distribution			\$ 83,221.88	
To Net Profit, Carried to Balance Sheet			24,685.30	
Grand Total			\$113,221.88	

PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE CARRIED				
Patient/Staff	Amount	Company	Expiry Date	Prem.
Public	\$25,000.00	Royal	April 15, 1954	\$637.83
	\$10,200.00	Royal	April 15, 1954	12.10

STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1953

	Requisition in 1953	Received in 1953
M.D. of Beaver No. 73	\$ 10,028.34	\$ 10,028.34
M.D. of Flagstaff No. 72	11,145.00	11,145.00
M.D. of Minerva No. 72	20,310.00	20,310.00
Town of Viking	7,775.00	7,775.00
Total	\$ 51,552.34	\$ 51,552.34

DAILY RATES FOR NON-RATEPAYERS

Private Ward	\$5.30 (Children \$5.30)
Semi-Private Ward	\$6.30 (Children \$5.30)
Public Ward	\$4.30 (Children \$5.30)

1952 and 1953 COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF PATIENT DAY COSTS AND STATISTICS

	1952	1953
Actual Cost of Operation (Excluding Depreciation and Interest)	\$ 62,096.85	\$ 74,941.45
(and Deferred Cases (S))		
Actual Days Hospitalization Provided, as verified by Auditor and Nursing Superintendent	6,596	9,108
Actual Cost Per Patient Day (Excluding Depreciation and Interest)	7.90	8.16
Actual Cost Per Patient Day (including Depreciation and Interest)		
Births	8.91	9.21
Medical Cases	74	98
Surgical Cases	91	128
Obstetrical Cases	74	92
Total In-Patients	783	1,216
Total Out-Patients	686	1,176
Total Patients	1,469	2,392
Deaths	18	25

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL	
Cash	\$ 62.19	Accounts Payable	\$ 3,451.44
Accounts Receivable		Accrued Interest Not Yet Due	4,327.88
Patients	\$ 5,496.09	Due to Contractor	458.00
Less Reserve for Doubtful Accounts	228.79	Working Capital	\$ 8,266.33
Dominion, Provincial and Municipal Governments	\$ 1,167.90		48,243.33
Other Receivables, and Accruals Not Yet Due	6,645.45		
Supplies and Materials on Hand	12,648.88		
Prepaid Expense — Prepaid Insurance	1,125.49		
Bonds	\$ 4,000.00		
Bank—General Account	\$ 2,512.56		
Bank—Building Account	3,287.73		
	\$ 31,800.29		
Total	\$ 66,509.95		\$ 66,509.95
PLANT FUNDS		PLANT FUNDS	
Land	\$ 308.00	Bonds, Debentures, Mortgages	\$112,500.00
Buildings	\$181,610.91	Plant Capital	\$6,169.50
Additions, current year	10,850.11		
Less Accumulated Depreciation	28,722.29		
Furniture, Equipment	\$ 22,460.88		
Additions Current Year	12,542.88		
Less Accumulated Depreciation	18,802.49		
Total	\$197,669.50		\$197,669.50

SURPLUS ACCOUNT		SURPLUS ACCOUNT	
Surplus at End of Previous Year	\$ 96,224.83	Working Capital	\$ 48,243.33
Plus Grant Received for Building	12,500.00	Plant Capital	6,169.50
Plus Profit	24,685.30		
Surplus at End of Hospital Year	\$133,410.13	Net Capital	\$133,410.13

FIRE INSURANCE IN FORCE				
Policy No.	Amt.	Unit Covered	Company	Expiry Date
961322	\$137,500.00	Buildings, Equip.	Royal	April 15, 1954
961323	\$137,500.00	Furniture & Fixt.	Royal	April 15, 1955
204556	\$10,000.00	Boiler & Machinery	Royal	April 15, 1956

DEBENTURE STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED DEC. 31, 1953				
Amount	\$10,000.00	Amount Sold	\$10,000.00	
Term of Years: From 1953 to 1972; Rate of Interest 5%				
Amount Annual Payment				5,000.00
Amount Redeemed in 1953: Int. \$5,000.00; Prin. \$5,000.00				10,000.00
Total Principal Redeemed to Date				5,000.00
Balance Outstanding December 31, 1953				10,000.00
Amount of Issue: \$5,000.00; Amount Sold				5,000.00
Term of Years: From 1954 to 1961; Rate of Interest 5%				
Amount of Annual Payment				1,000.00
Amount Redeemed in 1953				NIL
Balance Principal Outstanding December 31, 1953				5,000.00

AUDITOR: Winspear, Hamilton, Anderson & Co.; ADDRESS: 303 Mercantile Building, Edmonton, Alberta.
 SECRETARY-TREASURER: A. Hafso; ADDRESS: Viking
 MOUNT OF SEC. TRUSTS, BOND: \$3,000.00; No. of BOND: 123317
 COMPANY: Royal Insurance Company.
 DATE SURETYSHIP BEGAN: May 16, 1953;
 BOND RENEWED TO: May 16, 1956

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

We have audited the Books and Records of the Viking Municipal Hospital No. 10, for the year ended December 31, 1953, and have compared the said accounts with their relative vouchers and certify that in our opinion the foregoing financial statements are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the financial affairs of the Hospital District according to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us and as shown by the records subject to any qualifications mentioned in the Auditor's Special Report attached.
 Dated at Edmonton this 7th day of January, 1954.
 (Signed) WINSPEAR, HAMILTON, ANDERSON & Co.
 Chartered Accountants.

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA AND DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS

I certify that the information given on this return is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 ARNOLD HAFSO,
 For the Year ended December 31, 1953. Secretary-Treasurer.

Kinsella News

Mr. J. Fookes has returned from spending two months with relatives at Medicine Hat and has taken up residence in town.
 Miss Mary Hanson of Viking is employed at the Kinsella Hotel.
 Mr. J. Burns spent the week-end in Edmonton.
 Mr. and Mrs. E. Powell, Mary Jo and Dick of Edmonton were Saturday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Powell.
 Mrs. J. Beschell returned home Saturday evening from a pleasant holiday spent with relatives in South Dakota, U.S.
 Mr. and Mrs. D. Reid of Edmonton are visiting at the home of Mrs. Reid's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Overbo.
 Mr. J. Piwowar and Mr. P. Kostervia of Virden, Man., are spending a week's holiday at their homes here.
 On the occasion of Mr. W. Greenwood's 84th birthday anniversary, 25 members of the family and a number of old time friends sat down to a turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Greenwood on Sunday afternoon, February 7. During the afternoon Mr. Greenwood was given a radio from the family which was presented to him by Mr. T. and Mr. D. Greenwood. Other gifts were also received. Everyone joined in singing happy birthday. After a pleasant afternoon of visiting together and picture-taking the guests were served a buffet supper.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. Beschell, Mrs. M. Tesson, Mr. E. Miller and Mr. C. Tesson motored to Hay Lakes on Sunday where they visited Mrs. A. Miller and family.
 Donation to the Kinsella United Church Memorial Fund in memory of Mr. Julian Makar: from Mr. and Mrs. L. Baronovski and in memory of Mr. G. Hoskins from Mr. and Mrs. C. Powell.

Through the eighteen years preceding World War I when Western Canada was being opened up to development, the construction of new railways in the West averaged more than two miles per day, a total of 15,000 miles of new railway lines.
 Since 1948 expansion of man-
 ufacturing in Canada has created 104,500 new factory jobs. Investment in plant and equipment to provide these jobs totalled \$9,070,000,000, or an average investment of \$6,269 per new job.

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Families in Canada's large cities spent an average of \$6.78 per person per week for food in the first half of 1953, compared with \$7.52 in the last four months of 1952.

The average Canadian industrial employee works 9.3 minutes to earn a quart of milk; 15 years ago he worked 15.6 minutes to earn a quart of milk.

No cases of psittacosis, rabies, smallpox or typhus fever were reported in Canada in 1952.

The universal \$40 a month old age pension at 70 now costs \$345 million a year; a \$65 a month pension without means test at age 65 would cost \$947 million annually.

Jarrow News

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Holt were callers in the Batts district the first of the week.

Grandma Whidden is again a patient at the Viking hospital, having sustained fractured ribs due to a fall.

Andrew Oraschski returned to the city on Tuesday after having spent a week at home. Andrew is one of our up and coming boys. He has always been interested in music and drama and has taken part in light opera in the city. He has also taken part in "The Dark of the Moon" which was given at the University Campus Studio Theatre several times. Here's wishing you the best of luck, Andrew.

Mrs. Fladager is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Barry Holt, and family.

Mrs. Oraschski and Mike attended the funeral of their uncle Mr. Muntz of Evansburg last week. The sympathy of the district is extended to all.

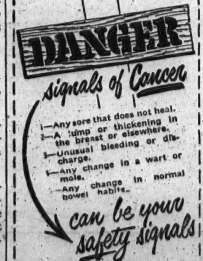
Mr. and Mrs. George Bridgeman and Mr. Percy Wright attended the funeral of their uncle Mr. Muntz of Evansburg last week. The sympathy of the district is extended to all.

The district was well represented at the card party at Batts on Saturday night when "500" was enjoyed by all. Prizes going to Ist. Ladies, Mrs. G. Bridgeman, Ist. Men, Mr. Jack Campbell. Congratulations to Mrs. Barry Holt and Jimmy Lingley.

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Strawberry Plains
W.I. Program

February
Place—Mrs. O. Setter.
Date—February 24th.
Hostesses—Mrs. E. Jackson, Mrs. R. Reber.
Roll Call—Pet Peeve.
Raffle—Mrs. E. Tomlinson.
Topic—Citizenship. Mrs. R. Dawson.
Program—Mrs. M. Creasey.

March
Place—Mrs. C. Gulbraa.
D—March 24th.
Long.
H—Mrs. J. Jackson, Mrs. Art Long.
RC—A four-line poem (your own) about your community or a fine of \$c.
R—Mrs. W. Bacon.
T—Handicraft, Mrs. O. Setter.
P—Mrs. E. Tomlinson.

April
Place—Mrs. E. Tomlinson.
D—April 15th.
H—Mrs. R. Dawson, Mrs. A. Cairns.
RC—Exchange of Flower Seeds.
R—Mrs. A. Cairns.
T—Mrs. H. Long.
P—Mrs. O. Setter.

May
Place—Mrs. J. Jackson.
D—May 20th.
H—Mrs. W. Bacon, Mrs. H. Long.
RC—Hum, whistle, sing or say or a fine of \$c.
R—Mrs. R. Dawson.
T—Agriculture, Mrs. W. Bacon.
P—Mrs. E. Jackson.

June
Place—Mrs. R. Dawson.
D—June 17th.
H—Mrs. R. Dawson, Mrs. J. Jackson.
RC—Surprise.
R—Mrs. P. Funk.
T—Social Service, Mrs. P. Funk.
P—Mrs. J. Jackson.

July
Place—Strawberry Plains School.
D—July 15th.
H—Evel Luck Lunch.
RC—Bring a Grandmother.
R—Mrs. E. Jackson.
P—By Mrs. W. Bacon, Mrs. R. Dawson, Mrs. A. Cairns.

Junior W.A. Program
For 1954

Meeting 4th Tuesday in every month.
February
Place—Mrs. Torrance.
Devotional—Mrs. Larson.
Hostesses, Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Prosser.
Program—Mrs. C. Barber.
Roll Call—Bring a prepared item for the program for a meeting.

March
Place—Mrs. Prosser.
D—Mrs. Smallwood.
H—Mrs. Milne, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. A. Knudson.
RC—Bring a friend.

April
Place—Mrs. Fehner.
D—Mrs. Kirkman.
H—Mrs. Torrance, Mrs. Whidden.
P—Mrs. Clumstad.
RC—An interesting incident saw from my kitchen window.

May
Place—Mrs. Smallwood.
D—Mrs. McMillan.
H—Mrs. Inkin, Mrs. Dunbar.
P—Mrs. Burton.
RC—Favorite Bible Verse or Story.

June
Place—Mrs. Larson.
D—Mrs. Jack.
H—Mrs. Anquist, Mrs. M. Knudson.
RC—Exchange Potholders.

July
Place—Mrs. Dunbar.
D—Mrs. Dempsey.
H—Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Burton.
RC—An incident from my high school days.
P—Mrs. Torrance.

August
Place—Mrs. Fischer.
D—Mrs. Lovig.
H—Mrs. Smallwood, Mrs. C. Barber.
P—Mrs. Dunbar.
RC—An Alberta News Item.

September
Place—Mrs. Dempsey.
D—Mrs. Loades.
H—Mrs. Glasgow, Mrs. H. Barber.
P—Mrs. A. Knudson.
RC—Exchange a Preserve.

October
Place—Mrs. Kirkman.
D—Mrs. Fischer.
H—Mrs. Halvorsen, Mrs. Pond.
P—Mrs. Anquist.
RC—How we can improve our W.A.

November
Place—Mrs. Whidden.
D—Mrs. Inkin.
H—Mrs. Jack, Mrs. Loades.
P—Mrs. Prosser.
RC—Surprise Roll Call.

December
Place—Mrs. Anquist.
D—Mrs. Ingila.
H—Mrs. Clumstad, Mrs. Coulman, Mrs. Drewick.
P—Mrs. Glasgow.
RC—Exchange for Christmas Cheer Fund.

This year the federal government will collect about ten times its pre-war tax revenue. The provincial governments combined will collect about five times their pre-war total.

Financial Statement Read at
Annual Ratepayers Meeting

The Annual meeting of the ratepayers of the Village of Irma was held in the Irma School on the 8th day of Feb., 1954, at 8 p.m.

Mayor Frickeleton called the meeting to order.
J. C. McFarland moved that Mr. D. H. Gunn be chairman. This was seconded by Wm. Masson.

A. C. Chanter was then nominated to act as Secretary of the meeting. Motion of F. K. Coffin and A. C. Knudson.

The Audited Financial report not having been returned from the Auditors in time for copy thereof to be furnished to the individual ratepayers, there were therefore no printed copies available for distribution to the meeting.

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read and were adopted as written on motion of W. Symington.

Secretary then presented annual statement which disclosed an over all bank balance of \$9990.14 made up as follows: Municipal account \$9012.23. Agri. Trust \$977.91. Cem. Trust \$245.69.

Gross Receipts for the year \$22,137.95.
Gross expenditures \$19,646.32.
Surplus for the year \$2,491.63.

Taxes Receivable
Current \$17929.65
Collections \$19291.21
Discounts allowed \$45.88
Uncollected \$82.56

Tax Arrears (1952) \$2269.85
Add Costs \$35.87
Total Arrears \$2305.72
Collections \$1111.34
Uncollected Arrears \$1194.38

Grand total Tax arrears, Dec. 31, 1953 \$2686.94

Included in Items of Expenditures
School Requisition \$10125.45
Health, including Hospital Administration \$970.00
Protection to Person and Property \$2382.02
Public Works \$1958.28
Rec. and Community \$899.60

Municipal Assistance Grant Received 1953 \$2675.08
Gas Franchise NWU \$646.96

C. P. Jones moved that Audited Financial Statement be accepted. This was seconded by Wm. Masson.

The Mayor then read the report of the Municipal Inspection as required by the Town and Village Act regarding the affairs of the Village and Administration thereof.

There was no adverse criticism contained in this report which was adopted on the motion of J. C. McFarland—Wm. Masson. Mayors report followed and dealt at some length with the inclusion of the Village in the Minburn-Vermilion Health unit. The report on the Drainage Survey was discussed and it was agreed that the Council contact the Engineers Dept. re new

road as affecting the drainage of the Village.
Mr. Wm. Masson M.L.A. also undertook to do whatever was possible in regard to this matter.

Mayor's report was adopted on motion of A.C. Knudson—F. K. Coffin.

General discussion followed. Fair Ground improvement. On motion of C. P. Jones, it was decided that any committee appointed by the Irma and District Board of Trade together with the Council of the Village of Irma should make such improvements as may be considered possible from time to time.

Mrs. I. C. Knudson suggested that the Council consider the possible acquiring of Lot 9, Block 8 for any possible future expansion of the Village Fire Hall and also the need of better office facilities and accommodation.

Fire Chief Sampson then brought up the matter of the urgent need for improved Fire Equipment and matters pertaining thereto.

Messrs. Hutchinson and Murray expressed disapproval of the Police Dept. as at present constituted. Secretary read copy of Constable's contract. C. P. Jones spoke in favour of retaining the present method of Police Protection. After a lengthy discussion regarding the possible employment of a general utility man combined with the duties of Constable.

Mr. R. C. McFarland moved that the matter be left in the hands of the Council as to what action, if any, was deemed necessary in regard to protection of person and property. Cd.

A vote of thanks to the Council was passed on motion of Wm. Masson—V. Hutchison. Wm. Masson—C. P. Jones moved to adjourn.

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ELECTION NOTICE**Nominations for Elections**

Municipal District of Wainwright, No. 61

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 1954

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a Meeting of the Electors of the Municipal District of Wainwright, No. 61 will be held at the L.O.O.F. Hall, Wainwright, at one o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 20th day of February, 1954, for the discussion of the affairs of the district; and that from three o'clock p.m. to four o'clock p.m. on the same day and at the same place nominations for the office of Councillor will be received.

2 Councillors are to be elected.

Councillors are to be elected for the following electoral divisions:

DIVISION 3**DIVISION 4**

At the same place, time and date above mentioned, nominations for members of the Boards of the following Municipal Hospital Districts will be received. Members to be elected at large.

Division A, B, C, 3 Members of the Board of Wainwright Hospital District, No. 17

Given under my hand at Wainwright this 19th day of January 1954.

C. WILBRAHAM,
Returning Officer.

29-5-12-19

Notice To Ratepayers

The Council of the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 wish to bring to the attention of the Ratepayers that Section 298 of the Municipal District Act has been amended, so that

"If after the last day of February in any year, any taxes which become due and payable in any preceding year remain unpaid, there shall be added thereto by way of penalty an amount not exceeding six percent on the first day of March of that year and each succeeding year so long as the taxes remain unpaid."

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CHAS. WILBRAHAM,
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Locals

The Battle River W.I. is holding a home cooking sale in the Irma Food Market Friday, Feb. 19 at 3 o'clock.

The 4H Beef Club is sponsoring a dance and raffle in Kiefer's Hall on Friday, February 12. All 4H Beef Club members are asked to wear the club crest that evening. All ticket books must be handed in to Ross McFarland Jr.

Mr. T. E. Yarr is a patient in Wainwright hospital this week.

A memorial donation has been made to the Christian and Missionary Alliance Tabernacle in memory of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Glasgow and Mr. Bertil Sellstedt by Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Allen and family of Jarow.

We understand that Alex Smallwood has been able to get in some curling at Hanna this winter and has upheld the honor of the Irma Club by winning himself a nice electric clock.

A new hardwood floor has been laid this week in the Irma United Church. Those giving volunteer labour on this project are Messrs. J. Craig, A. E.

Knudson, N. Tomlinson, R. Currie, J. Chidell, A. Cook, C. Younker, C. Chidell, R. Rohrer, D. McKay, Rev. H. W. Ingalls, W. Sanders, H. Oldham and O. Halverson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Roebuck and son Harold were week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Reeds.

Congratulations to the Elks Lodge No. 366 for donating \$100 to the Polio Fund.

Mr. D. H. Gunn was ill with flu for two or three days last week and Mr. J. S. Reeds returned to his former duties as principal of the Irma school. Mr. Gunn is better again and this week Mr. Reeds is substituting on Thursday and Friday for Mr. S. Humphries at the Wainwright high school.

Our warm weather of the past 10 days appears to be at an end and prophecies of 25 below zero resound on the air waves. Seems as though the winter of 1954 can only operate on high or low temperatures. "Intermediate" is not working this year.

The Irma W.I. is holding a Home Cooking Sale on Friday, February 12. Sale will be held in the Irma Food Market and will open at 3 p.m.

Mr. S. C. Johnson is an Edmonton visitor this week.

A large crowd attended the demonstration square dance here on February 9. An Irma club was formed with L. Meier president and Mrs. Kirkman, secretary.

A John Deere Free Show will be held in Kiefer's hall Feb. 19 at 2 p.m.

Mr. Glenn Hockett had the misfortune to slip and suffer a broken ankle while tightening a wheel bolt on his truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hlynka, Olga and Johnny of Ledue were renewing old acquaintances here on Sunday last.

Mrs. George Spring and young son of Muriel Lake came to Irma last week to see Mrs. Spring's mother Mrs. R. A. Larson who is in Wainwright hospital. We are glad to know that Mrs. Larson is feeling much improved and trust she will be home soon.

Mrs. Marshall has also been in Wainwright hospital this past week. She, too, is making a very satisfactory recovery.

Mrs. S. Magrath is in Wainwright to spend a couple of weeks with her daughter Mrs. G. M. Holt.

Mr. H. L. Black is back at Irma after receiving surgical treatment in an Edmonton hospital. He has convalesced well and is back at work in the Lumber yard office.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Prosser and Mr. and Mrs. C. Bauer were in Edmonton the past week-end to see the play "The King's Servant," put on at the Strand and produced and directed by Rev. de Paul Prosser.

Mrs. Haun Sr., long time resident of the Irma district, passed away at the Wainwright hospital on February 7. Funeral services were held from the Irma United Church on Thurs., February 11.

The Irma branch of the WMS is again engaged in making quilts for overseas relief.

Messrs. P. Spring and C. Anquist motored to Medicine Hat early this week to attend the funeral of the former's brother.

Further mass cards have been received in memory of the late Mrs. Mary Savage from Mr. and Mrs. W. Forwell and Mr. and Mrs. C. Relling. Also a donation to the Polio fund from Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Coulman.

Miss Doreen Simmerman visited at her home last Friday and Saturday of last week.

Miss E. Rae was an Edmonton visitor last week. She went on to Devon to see her mother Mrs. L. Hager and her brother Wm. Blade.

We would like to thank Mrs. R. D. Smallwood for her letter and we are sorry to know she has not been so well again.

Mrs. R. L. Simmerman attended the WMS Presbytery at Vermilion on Wednesday.

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